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## Harry Miner, 70, Ex-U.S. Employee

Harry Miner, 70, a retired public information officer with the office of the chief of Army Engineers, died Thursday of cancer at his home on Bethesda Church Road in Damascus, Md.

Mr. Miner served as an Army intelligence officer during World War II during which he was assigned to the Office of Strategic Services, a predecessor of the Central Intelligence Agency. He was one of the first Americans to inspect the command bunker of Adolph Hitler after the fall of Berlin to allied forces in 1945.

A native of Merrill, Wisc., he was a 1932 graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

The came to Washington in 1946 to work as a public information officer with the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Reclamation. In the mid-1950s he went in that same capacity to the Agency for International Development before moving to the Army Corps of Engineers in 1962. He retired in 1972.

Mr. Miner was a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He leaves his wife, Lorraine, a sister, Elaine Smith of Hardy, Ark.; and a son Michael, of Damascus.